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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference  
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 15.

Identification of prior art discussed: Sachdeva et al (US 5885258), Schaefer et al (US 7033374) and Jones et al (US 5843050.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner suggests applicant's representative to further define the invention by incorporate all limitations of claims 2 and 5 into claims 1 and 15. Examiner and applicant's representative note that the cannula of Jones et al. need at least another layer for supporting the cannula.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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